

~THE STRONGEST BRIDE ON EARTH~

SUMOMO MOMOMO

10



SHINOBU OHTAKA

The strongest bride on earth.

Sumomomo Momomo.10

Shinobu Ohtaka





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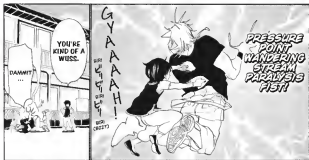






SHOW PLASTIC MODEL CASTLE EXHIBIT













...OH...

...I'M SO...
STUPID...

I REALLY
NEEDED TO
SPEND SOME
TIME WITH
YOU TODAY

INUZUKA-
KUN JUST
WANTED TO
TALK...

...WITH
SOMEBODY
WHO "WASN'T
A MARTIAL
ARTIST"...

IT'S
NOTHING
YOU NEED
TO BE
WORRYING
ABOUT,
YOU
KNOW?

I MEAN!



DON'T
THEY HAVE
ANY DESIRES
OUTSIDE OF
MARTIAL
ARTS?



...TRYING
TO TELL
ME THAT
DOING
MARTIAL
ARTS
MAKES
THEM
SPECIAL.

WHY DO
THEY PUT
UP WITH
THOSE
STUFFY
FAMILY
LAWS?



I'VE
HEARD
ENOUGH
LECTURES
FROM
MARTIAL
ARTISTS



I
REALLY
...
...HATE
VIOLENCE.



WHY...

...ARE
THEY SO
FIXATED
ON VIO-
LENCE?



INUZUKA-
KUN.

THE
REASON I
KEEP UP
WITH IT...







**THAT'S PURE
ARROGANCE.**



**WHO DO
THEY
THINK
THEY
ARE?**

**ANY FORM OF
MARTIAL ARTS
BEYOND WHAT
SERVES AS
SELF-DEFENSE
IS NOTHING
BUT MINDLESS
VIOLENCE.**

**...OF
MARTIAL
ARTISTS'
SPEECHES
ABOUT THE
SAKE OF
DESCEN-
DANTS OR
THE
SAKE OF
PEACE...**

**SPEAKING
AS SOME-
ONE WHO'S
BORN THE
BLUNT...**



I FEEL NOTHING
BUT GRATITUDE
THAT I WAS BORN
INTO A LEGACY OF
MARTIAL ARTS.



BECAUSE IT GIVES
ME THE OPPORTUNITY
AND THE MEANS TO
HELP THE MAN I
LOVE.

EVEN IF
MY PLACE
IS NOT
AT YOUR
SIDE...

...I WILL
PROTECT
YOU.



WAS IT
ALL JUST
ARRA-
GANCE?

IS HE
RIGHT?



CLASS
REP?



**HAS
EVERYTHING
I'VE DONE
BEEN NOTHING
MORE THAN
THAT?**





SPIN, ORU CHILDSERU! ORU!





70. STALKING DOUBLE DATE



ARE...
ARE YOU
SURE?

OH,
REGARDED!

HANZOU...



I THINK
WE'VE
EARNED
A BIT OF A
REWARD,
NEE-SAN...

WE
HAVE
THE
MEANS
TO
RAISE
THE
MONEY
WE
NEED.







THE LIGHTS
STRING FROM
THE SHINKO
TREES LINING
THE SHRINE
GROUNDS
CAST A SOFT
LIGHT ON THE
FESTIVAL
BELOW.

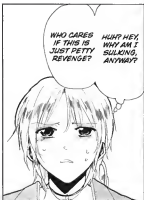
FUSUN
SHRINE'S
OFFERING
FESTIVAL.

MEN AND WOMEN
IN THEIR STRIKING
YUKATAS LIT BY THE
COLORFUL LANTERNS
ABOVE FEEL THEIR
AFFECTIONS DEEPEN
IN THE ROMANTIC
SETTING...















THEN WE'RE
BOTH LIVING
LIFE TO THE
FULLEST!



IT'S
KIND OF
EMBARRASS-
ING THAT
I NEVER
NOTICED THIS
UNTIL NOW,
BUT...

SO...
UWW...



IT
WASN'T
ME WHO
WAS
RUNNING
THE
SHOW.

...I
WAS STILL
DEPENDING
ON EVERY-
ONE ELSE.

WHEN
I WAS GOING
ON ABOUT MY
DREAMS FOR
THE FAMILY
AND RUNNING
MY MOUTH,
ACTING ALL
IMPORTANT...





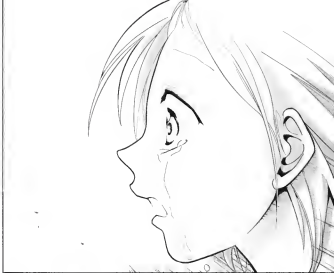


SHIN: DART GAME











SO
IT'S JUST
A LITTLE
SIGN OF MY
APPRECIATION...

...MORE
THAN THAT,
I WAS GLAD
TO HAVE THIS
CONVERSATION
WITH YOU.

IT'S A
CHEAP
LITTLE
FESTIVAL
PRESENT,
BUT...



Y'KNOW?



**THANK
YOU!!**

I CAN THINK
OF THIS AS A
REWARD FOR
ALL THE WORK
I'VE DONE...
RIGHT?

DEAR
GOD, IS
IT RIGHT
FOR ME
TO BE SO
HAPPY!?

I WAS GLAD
TO HAVE THIS
CONVERSATION
WITH YOU.

WE'VE
ALMOST
REACHED
OUR GOAL,
MEE-SAN!





AND
I'LL KEEP
RUNNING
FORWARD
AT FULL
SPEED!

I'LL
TREASURE
THEM FOR-
EVER!



SO THAT
I NEVER
LOSE THIS
FEELING
OF BLISS
AGAIN!!

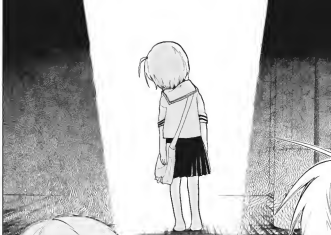


CHAPTER 70: STALKING DOUBLE DATE - END



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EPIC PAGE TWENTY







SPIN AND DANCEFEST 1000











I WANT TO DO
SOMETHING ABOUT
THIS PROBLEM
WITH HER, THE
PROBLEM OF MY
TRAINING...

...BUT I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
THAT WOULD
BE OR WHAT
I CAN DO.

THAT'S NOT
REALLY THE
PROBLEM
HERE...

NO...
THAT'S NOT
RIGHT...







[illegible]



...WE
WILL
MAKE UP
AND GET
BACK TO-
GETHER...

...WE
CAN ONLY
HOPE THAT
INUZUKA
AND
MOMOKO...

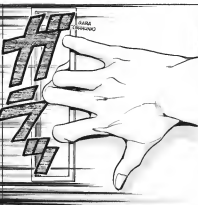


...LIKE THE
USUAL...

IT
SMELLS...



SO
THAT'S
WHAT
THIS IS
ABOUT



KARA
(KOROKORO)



SO
THAT'S
WHAT
THIS IS
ABOUT



YOU MUST BE
TIRED FROM YOUR
LONG STUDIES.

OH! WELCOME
HOME, KOUUSHI-
DONG.



KOUUSHI-
DONGOO!

YES,
I EXPECTED
THAT
ANSWER.

WOULD
YOU
PREFER
TO HAVE
DINNER?
OR...
ME?







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WIDDOUT
HABING A
GOLUSHI-
DODO DO
DALK DO...
OR EAT
DIDDER
WIFF...

UHH, WAAH...
WAAAAHHH!

I'B
BEED 20
LODE-
LYYYYY!

WAAAAHHHH!



YEAH,
IT WAS
A PAIN
IN THE
ASS!

CELEBRATE,
DAMN
YOU! WE
HAD TO GO
THROUGH
THIS RUDE
FOR YOU!

N-NO,
I'M
NOT!

YOU
MUST
BE SO
HAPPY,
KOUSHI-
KUNE!



HE'S RIGHT...
IT'S ALL
THANKS TO
YOU!!

...ALL
CAME
FROM
HIM!

THE
IDEA
AND
THE
SHOP-
PING...

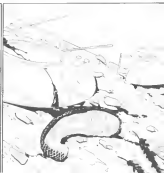
HUH?

NO,
NO.

WHEN
DID YOU
ORGANIZE
THIS ACT
AND
SCRAPE ALL
THE FOOD
TOGETHER?



















**HFF!
HFF!**

HFF!



HFF! HFFFF!

**HEE
HEE
HEE...**



~~~~~  
~~~~~  
~~~~~

**HANH... HANH  
WEEEE!!**



**HUH?**

CHAPTER 71. GETTING THE COUPLE TOGETHER AGAIN – END

# 72. THANKS FOR EVERYTHING



ONE OF TWO HOLY BEINGS THAT RULE OVER THE TWELVE HEAVENLY GENERALS, EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN UNKEN OR SENDAYUU.



NIKKOU BOSATSU

HUFF...  
HUFF...  
HUFF...  
HUFF...  
HUFF!





HIS BRILLIANT, PURIFYING LIGHT IS SAID TO SHINE UPON ALL EARTHLY DESIRES, CLEANSING THEM FROM EXISTENCE...

(FROM "ORENOL BUDHIST MYTHOLOGY")

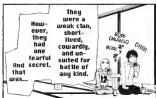




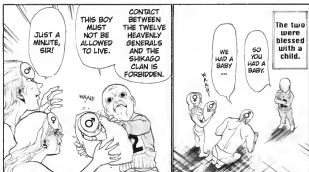














Cast

ka) : Kiyohiko

ka) : Megumi

Cast

Man (Unken Inuzuka):Kiyohiko

Woman (Shino Inuzuka):Megumi



## Cast

**Man (Unken Inuzuka) : Kiyohiko**

**Woman (Shino Inuzuka) : Megumi**

**Son (Koushi Inuzuka) : Yasushi**









BUT  
ONLY ON  
PAPER...

SO IT WAS  
REPORTED  
THAT YOUR  
MOTHER  
WAS  
ACTUALLY  
A REGULAR  
HUMAN  
BEING.

YOU WERE  
BORN OF  
AN ILLEGIT-  
IMATE RELATION-  
SHIP.

THAT  
WAS A  
LIE.



THE SHIKAGO  
CLAN HAD  
NONE OF THE  
PHYSICAL  
TALENT OF  
THE OTHER  
HOUSES.

SHE  
LOOKED  
NORMAL,  
DID SHE  
NOT?

THE  
SHIKAGO  
WERE  
ALWAYS  
SHORT-  
LIVED.

REMEMBER  
HOW SHINO  
DIED IN THE  
VIDEO?



...NO...  
NO...

.....  
.....

REMEMBER  
WHEN YOU  
WERE  
POISONED  
AT KOGANEI  
VILLAGE?

THERE'S  
PROOF,  
YOU  
KNOW.

*PERHAPS  
YOUR  
LOATHING  
OF MARTIAL  
ARTS CAME  
FROM YOUR  
MOTHER...*



...WRAPS  
THE USER'S KI  
AROUND THE  
ENERGY PATH-  
WAYS OF THE  
VICTIM, THUS  
"SEALING" HIS OR  
HER POWERS  
INSIDE.

THE  
MYRIAD  
SEAL...



THAT WAS  
THANKS TO  
SHINOBU'S  
MYRIAD  
SEAL.

YOU NEVER  
TOOK THE  
ANTIDOTE,  
BUT YOU  
DIDN'T DIE  
EITHER.



BUT  
HERE  
IS THE  
PROBLEM



...AND  
WAS  
NEU-  
TRAL-  
IZED.

THE  
POISON  
CONTACTED  
SHINOBU'S  
SEAL...

...THEY  
ARE ALSO  
NOURISHED  
AND PRO-  
TECTED.

...BY THE  
POWER  
OF THE  
MYRIAD  
SEAL...

WHILE YOUR  
LIFE AND YOUR  
ABILITY TO USE  
MARTIAL ARTS  
ARE SEALED  
AWAY...



...THAT  
SEALED  
YOUR  
POWER  
AWAY.

...LED  
TO THE  
DESTRUC-  
TION OF THE  
CAGE...

THE  
EFFECTS  
OF THE  
POISON...













DO I  
WANT TO  
BE THIS  
WAY FOR-  
EVER?













"STAYING  
HERE IS  
GOING TO  
RUIN ME.

"I DON'T  
THINK WE  
ARE GOOD  
FOR EACH  
OTHER.

"YOU DON'T  
NEED TO GO  
THROUGH  
THIS FOR  
MY SAKE  
ANYMORE.

"I WILL  
WORK  
HARD  
TO TRAIN  
AND  
LIVE  
ON MY  
OWN.

"GOOD-BYE."

...  
DONO  
...

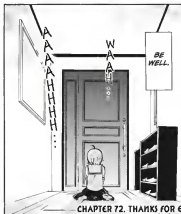


ADRIANO





THANKS  
FOR  
EVERY-  
THING.



CHAPTER 72. THANKS FOR EVERYTHING - END





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GOOD  
MORN-  
ING,  
TENGA-  
SAMAI

73. TORA TORA TORA!

~RETURN OF THE TIGER'S TRAINING~



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SPIN: PURL (CHIVARD) PURL PURL





SHIN, KUNO (WHY??) KUNO, SHIN



I WAS EMBARRASSED  
AT MY OWN PATHETIC  
NATURE, THAT I COULD  
DO NOTHING TO REPAY  
YOU OTHER THAN  
LASH OUT...

YOU  
HAVE MY  
UNDYING  
RESPECT.

I FEEL  
NOTHING  
BUT  
GRATI-  
TITUDE.

YOU  
SUS-  
PORTED  
ME AND  
SAVED  
MY LIFE.







CARNIVORES...

...INSTINCTIVELY  
CATEGORIZE  
THOSE WHO  
CRINGE AND  
TREMBLE  
AS PREY...



STOP  
CRINGING  
...



**THOSE  
MARTIAL  
ARTISTS  
WHO  
CANNOT  
KEEP UP  
MUST BE  
SLAUGHTERED  
!!!!**



...BUT  
I HAVE  
NO INTEN-  
TION OF  
DEVIATING  
FROM THE  
KOGANEI  
WAYS.

SAKURA  
CHIRAO  
H

I HAVE  
ACCEPTED  
YOUR  
REQUEST  
FOR  
TRAINING...

SO...



THE  
STRONG  
REJOICE  
THE  
WEAK !!

SAKURA  
CHIRAO

ABILITY  
IS ALL.



**OH MY  
GOD, HE'S  
TERRIFYING  
!!!!**



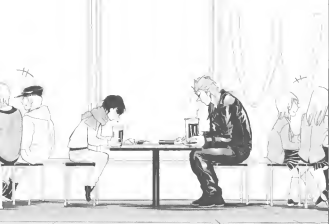












HE'S  
SLURPING  
HIS DRINK  
THROUGH A  
STRAW!!!







H-HOW ABOUT  
THAT...HE'S NOT  
SO DIFFERENT  
FROM THE REST  
OF US.



OH...I'M  
THE SAME  
AGE AS...  
TENKA-  
KUN...

W-  
WOW

IF I GET  
USED TO HIM,  
I'M SURE I  
CAN WORK  
WITH THIS  
GUY!

...AND  
THEY'RE  
NORMAL  
TEENS,  
JUST  
LIKE  
ME.

...I'M  
SUR-  
ROUNDED  
BY  
MARTIAL  
ARTISTS

OF  
COURSE

NINE-  
TEEN.

BY  
THE  
WAY,  
TENKA-  
KUN?

HOW  
OLD...  
ARE  
YOU...?



IT M-  
MAKES  
US FEEL  
CLOSER!

N-NO,  
JUST THE  
OPPOSITE!

PROB-  
LEM?

I'LL BET  
IT WAS A  
SPORTS  
CLUB...

OH YEAH,  
WHAT CLUB  
WERE YOU IN  
DURING HIGH  
SCHOOL?



IN HIGH SCHOOL  
LAST YEAR

ONLY  
NINE-  
TEEN?





I  
HATE...  
THAT  
STUFF.



...THE  
WORLD  
WORKS  
THATWAY

...BE-  
CAUSE  
OF THE  
WAY...

...ONLY  
USES ITS  
TALENTS  
FOR  
SPORTS...

KO-  
GANEI...

SPR: GOTO (BATTLE): GOTO GOTO



THEY  
DIVERT  
OUR  
MARTIAL  
ARTS  
AWAY  
FROM  
ITS TRUE  
MEANING  
...

SPORTS  
ARE A  
MEANS  
FOR US  
TO  
SUPPORT  
OUR-  
SELVES.

...WHEN  
RENDING  
FLESH AND  
SHEDDING  
BLOOD TO  
PROTECT ONE'S  
FAMILY WAS A  
PROUD WAY  
OF LIFE, WE  
FOUGHT...

IN  
THE  
OLD  
DAYS...

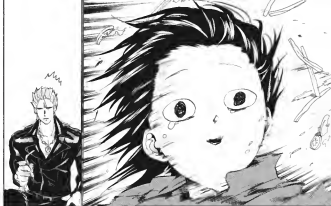


EVERY SINGLE  
MEMBER OF THE  
KOGANEI CLAN  
STRUGGLES WITH  
THIS FEELING  
OF EMPTINESS,  
EVERY WAKING  
MOMENT!!



...CHATTING  
IDLY ON  
OTHER  
SUBJECTS!!

A MARTIAL  
ARTIST  
SHOULD  
NOT  
WASTE  
HIS TIME...

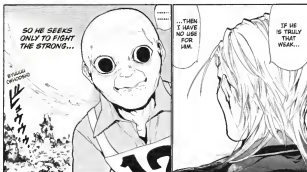
















HOW DOES  
THIS STRIKE  
YOU? DO YOU  
HAVE THE  
COURAGE TO  
RAISE HIM?

...TO  
DESTROY  
ALL OF THE  
MARTIAL ARTS  
BLOODLINES  
IN JAPAN...

AT PRESENT  
HE IS WEAK, BUT  
IF DISCIPLINED,  
HE COULD USE  
THE FEARSOME  
MYRIAD SEAL...

THIS MAN  
WHO POSES  
THE GREATEST  
THREAT TO YOUR  
WARRIOR'S  
INSTINCTS?

SPIN: 00000000 (PWWWWWWWWW)



...AS WE  
HAVE  
SEEN  
ALREADY...

...LEFT  
TO  
LIVE!

YOU  
HAVE  
ONE  
REIN.

THE  
SPARKS  
WILL NO  
DOUBT  
BLOOM  
INTO THE  
FIRES  
OF WAR...

YOU  
CANNOT  
SIMPLY  
PICK  
FIGHTS  
WITH  
WHOM-  
EVER  
YOU  
PLEASE,  
MY BOY.

BUT  
YOU ARE  
ALSO  
THE  
LEADER  
OF THE  
KOGANEI  
CLAN.

YOU ARE  
FREE TO  
SEEK THE  
MIGHTY,  
TENGA.



I MUST  
BE THE ONE  
HOLDING THE  
REINS...



12



KOU-  
SHI...

...WILL  
YOU BE  
EATEN  
BY THE  
TIGER?

OR WILL  
YOU FIND  
YOUR INNER  
STRENGTH  
AND SEAL  
THE TIGER  
AWAY?



TOU-  
SHI



WILL YOU  
ONE DAY STRIKE  
FEAR INTO THE  
HEARTS OF  
MARTIAL ARTISTS  
ACROSS THIS  
COUNTRY...?



ARE YOU  
READY TO  
GIVE IT  
YOUR ALL  
TODAY,  
KOUSHI-  
KUN?

NICE  
TO  
MEET  
YOU!

I'M KUGI  
KOGANEI,  
TIGER  
TRAINER!



DON'T  
WORRY.  
WE'RE NOT  
GOING TO  
THROW YOU  
RIGHT INTO  
COMBAT WITH  
THE TIGER.

FIGHT  
THE  
TIGER

IT'S  
JUST

OH  
DEAR.

TIGER  
CHAINED  
7-7-7-7



ONE  
TWO  
THREE?

SO WE'VE  
DECIDED TO  
DEVELOP  
YOUR THREE  
MAJOR  
MARTIAL  
ARTS  
QUALITIES,  
KOGANEI-  
STYLE!

I HEARD  
ABOUT  
YOU FROM  
TENGA-  
SAMA...  
HE SAID YOU  
CAN'T EVEN  
USE A SINGLE  
TECHNIQUE  
YET...

TIGER  
CURIOUS



THE  
HEART OF  
A WARRIOR  
WHO SEES  
TO DEFEAT  
THOSE  
STRONGER  
THAN HER-  
OR  
HIMSELF

"FIGHT-  
ING  
SPIRIT"

IN-  
DEED  
...



THE  
STRENGTH  
OF SPIRIT TO  
AVOID SHAK-  
ING UP WHEN  
FACING  
INCREDIBLE  
ODDS.

"MEN-  
TALITY"



IN THE  
KOMBI CLAN,  
PEOPLE HIGH  
IN THESE THREE  
QUALITIES ARE  
SAY TO BE  
PARTICULARLY  
SUITED TO  
MARTIAL ARTS.

AND  
FINALLY, BASIC  
"STAMINA."











THEY  
ONLY  
GROW  
FIERCE  
WHEN  
THEY ARE  
HUNGRY...

"CARNI-  
VORES  
DON'T  
TYPICALLY  
ATTACK  
THEIR PREY  
AT ALL  
HOURS OF  
THE DAY

WASNT HE THERE

SOUND EFFECTS

SOUND





SINCE  
WHEN DO  
PEOPLE GET  
ATTACKED  
BY TIGERS  
IN THEIR  
EVERYDAY  
LIVES!?

BUT  
WHAT AM I  
SUPPOSED  
TO DO!?



HOW LONG AM  
I GOING TO  
CLING TO THIS  
CONCEPT OF  
"NORMALITY"?

MY LIFE  
HASN'T  
BEEN  
NORMAL  
FOR  
MONTHS  
NOW...

NO...  
WHO AM I  
KIDDING?



...TO  
TRAIN.

PLEASE  
HELP ME...



I PROMISED  
THEM.

...EVEN IN  
ABNORMAL  
CIRCUM-  
STANCES.

I WAS SUPPOSED TO  
HAVE MADE AN OATH  
TO LIVE BY MY OWN  
STRENGTH...



...WHEN MY  
ENTIRE LIFE  
HAS BEEN  
SPENT IN A  
COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT  
WORLD FROM  
THEIRS...

I CAN'T  
PRETEND  
TO BE A  
MARTIAL  
ARTIST...

I'M  
TERRIFIED.

I'VE  
HARDLY  
EVER  
BEEN IN  
A FIGHT  
BEFORE  
IN MY  
LIFE...

NO...I  
CAN'T



WE'RE FROM  
DIFFERENT  
WORLDS...

WHAT AM  
I GOING  
TO DO?  
RUN BACK  
HOME!?

AM I  
STILL  
HUNG  
UP ON  
THAT!?

THEN  
HOW WILL  
I FACE THE  
REST OF  
THEM!?

RIGHT!?

I'M  
....!!

...THEN  
I JUST  
HAVE TO  
LEAP INTO  
IT!!

I'M...

I'M NOT  
YOUR  
FOOD...

I'M...

IF  
THEY'RE  
IN A DIFF-  
ERENT  
WORLD...



**A  
MARTIAL  
ARTIST  
!!**





OP: ZUBASHIDA (BARASHIDA CHIGAYOTA HIRAI)



D-  
DAMNIT!  
I'LL  
SHOW  
YOUUU!



KOU-  
SHI-  
KUN  
!?







HE  
MIGHT BE  
FALLING  
APART...

HA  
HA...

...BUT HE'S  
CERTAINLY  
GOT THE  
EYES OF A  
WARRIOR!

WOULDN'T  
YOU SAY,  
TENGA-  
SAMA?



IS  
KOUHI-  
KUN...

...TRULY  
SUITED  
FOR YOUR  
DAUGHTER?







??

I AM  
SORRY...

...BUT  
THAT I  
HAVE NO  
CHOICE...

IT IS  
NOT  
THAT  
I WILL  
NOT...



I  
**CAN-  
NOT**  
TELL  
YOU!



...THAT  
IS ALL I  
WANTED  
TO SAY.

COMING  
FROM A  
FELLOW  
FATHER  
...



PLEASE...

.....  
.....  
.....

IT'S  
JUST THAT,  
IF YOU ARE  
INDEED  
CONCERNED  
FOR THE SAKE  
OF YOUR  
DAUGHTER...

...I HOPE  
YOU WILL  
NOT  
MISTAKE  
WHO YOUR  
TRUE  
**FRIENDS**  
AND  
**ENEMIES**  
ARE.



I JUST  
WANT YOU TO  
REALIZE...

**...WHO YOUR  
DAUGHTER  
WILL BE  
HAPPIEST  
WITH IN THE  
END...**





***SUMOMOMO, MOMOMO***



YOU HAVE  
CLEARED THE  
~~OTHER~~  
~~BAR~~  
OUR TEST OF  
"FIGHTING  
AGGRESSIVELY"

CONGRATULATIONS,  
KOUSHI-  
KUN!

AND WHAT COMES NEXT?

HEH  
HEH.  
NEXT  
UP

ビュウウウウウウ

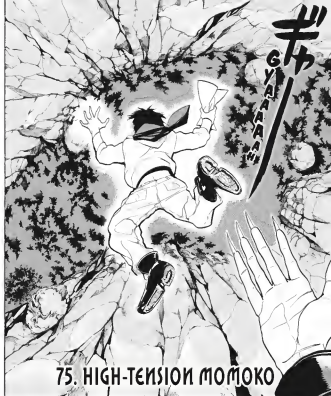


**NRA**

THE  
TRADITIONAL  
TRAINING OF  
THE TIGER  
CLAN

...IS  
STRENGTH-  
ENING YOUR  
"STAMINA"  
AND  
"MENTAL-  
ITY"...

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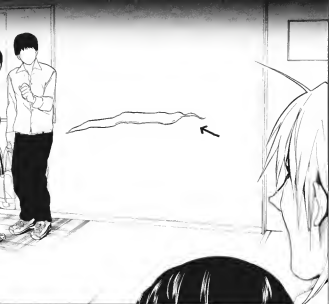


















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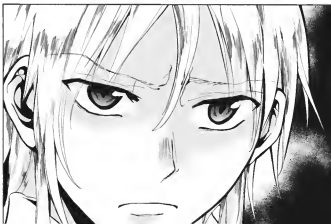


SPIN: JIMI (COBBLED) JIMI





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SEPPEN: GANVAM COODED? GANVAM







JOIN  
IN  
WITH  
ME!

GO  
AHEAD  
---

HEH  
HEH  
HEH...  
HEH  
HEH  
HEH...



COME AND  
LAUGH  
WITH ME,  
YUUSUKE-  
DONOI!



WEH WEH

I'M  
NOT FIT  
TO BE HIS  
FIANCEE...

...OF  
WHAT  
WAS  
GOING  
THROUGH  
HIS  
HEAD.

I  
HAVEN'T  
HAD A  
SINGLE  
GLIMPSE  
---

IT'S ONLY  
NATURAL...

EVEN  
AS I SAW  
HIM OFF  
TWO DAYS  
AGO...



EH  
HEH  
HEH  
HEH  
HEH!

EH  
HEH  
HEH...



...IS  
ESSENTIALLY  
DEAD AS A  
WOMAN.

A WIFE  
WHO'S BEEN  
ABANDONED  
BY HER  
HUSBAND...











**WHY  
DIDN'T  
YOU  
FORCE  
THE  
ANSWER  
OUT OF  
HIM!!?**



...  
YOU'RE  
CAPABLE  
OF THAT  
MUCH...  
AND  
YOU  
KNOW  
IT!

JUST  
LIKE  
YOU  
DID  
WITH  
ME.



**KICK HIM,  
BEAT HIM  
UP, BITE  
HIM AND  
HOLD ON  
FOR DEAR  
LIFE!**





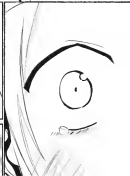
...ISN'T  
GOING TO  
BREAK  
OVER  
SUCH A  
LITTLE  
THING!

THAT  
POWERFUL  
HEART, THE  
THING THAT  
FOSTERED  
YOUR  
STRENGTH...

ALL  
YOUR  
WORTH  
ISN'T  
GOING  
TO DRAIN  
AWAY!

DON'T  
BE A  
SNIV-  
ELING  
COW-  
ARD  
!!!

IF  
YOU'RE A  
MARTIAL  
ARTIST,  
GET WHAT  
YOU  
WANT BY  
FORCE!!







"...FILLED  
MY HEART  
WITH JOY.

"YOUR  
HONESTY  
AND  
EARNEST-  
NESS...

"IT WAS  
A TRUE  
STRIKE,  
WITH  
FORCE  
AND  
GRAVITY.

"THE  
BLOW  
YOU  
GAVE ME  
OPENED  
MY EYES.



"TRULY...



"...I  
THANK  
YOU."



BYE, MAMA CHIEFT! MAMA



CHAPTER 75. HIGH-TENSION MOMOKO - END



# 76. THE PLOT TO DEFEAT THE DOG AND DRAGON BEGINS

...I HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE MATOBA CLAN.

IT IS STRANGE...



UNOU AND USHIGOME SEEMED MUCH THE SAME.

OH, AND UNKEN!

THEY SEEM TO BE HIDING SOMETHING...

BUT JUST AS WHEN I SPOKE WITH SONEDA, I COULD NOT GET A STRAIGHT ANSWER ABOUT ANYTHING...

I JUST MET THE LEADER OF THE MINOWA.





Things  
are going  
well on  
this end.

Call to  
Progress  
Endou,  
Mikihisa  
0901-577-4211

How  
about  
there?

Yuu-  
suke?

IT'S  
GOOD.

EVERY-  
THING IS  
PROCEED-  
ING WELL.

I need  
you to  
pull  
through  
on this.

Good.  
Keep  
it up,  
then.

02:11  
Call to  
Progress  
Endou,  
Mikihisa  
0901-577-4211



ALL  
ACCORDING  
TO PLAN!



YES...THE  
PLAN...



HEH...



I'M GUESSING  
YOU'VE GOT  
ALL THE OTHER  
MARTIAL ARTISTS  
IN YOUR POCKET  
BY NOW!

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE HOW  
EASILY YOU  
GOT MOMOKO-  
CHAN EATING  
OUT OF YOUR  
HAND!



IT'S  
MY  
JOB.

YES.



THAT'S  
MY  
YU-  
KIMI!

...AND I'M  
THE ONE  
HIDING THE  
MOST OF  
ALL...

AFTER ALL  
THAT GARBAGE  
I SPOILED  
ABOUT BEING  
HONEST...



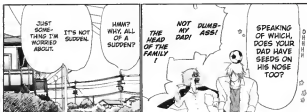
NO  
CHARGE



KINJI  
AND  
GINJI,  
YOU'VE  
GOT A  
SPECIAL  
ASSIGN-  
MENT  
TODAY.























ALWAYS...  
ALWAYS!

THEY'VE  
ALWAYS  
LOOKED  
DOWN ON  
ME...

JUST  
BECAUSE  
THEY  
HAPPEN  
TO BE A  
TENSY BIT  
STRONGER...



SOMEONE  
GIFTED ME  
WITH A  
**SOURCE OF  
INCREDIBLE  
POWER.**

...MY  
CHANCE TO  
KILL THEM  
HAS  
ARRIVED.

BUT FI-  
NALLY ...



...I'D HAVE  
CLAWED  
EACH OF  
THEM TO  
DEATH ON  
MY OWN  
MANY TIMES  
OVER!

IF  
THE TWO  
COMBATS  
WEREN'T  
ALWAYS  
WATCHING  
OUT FOR  
EACH OTHER...



THAT MEANS  
YOU TOO  
WILL HELP  
US OVER-  
THROW THE  
DOG AND  
DRAGON!



BUT  
...

...IN  
ORDER  
TO GAIN  
THIS  
BOOK,  
THE  
ENTIRE  
CLAN HAS  
TO PAR-  
TICIPATE  
IN THE  
PLAN.





**THEN  
YOU  
CAST  
SHAME  
UPON  
THE  
NAME OF  
KOGANEI,  
THE  
WARRIOR  
CLAN!**



**!!!**

SOMEONE  
I RESPECT  
ONCE SAID...

...YOU  
JUST UP  
AND RAN  
FOR YOUR  
LIFE!

WHEN  
STRANGE,  
UNFAMILIAR  
ASSASSINS  
INFILTRATED  
THE  
VILLAGE...

AND  
SAID  
YOU'RE  
WORKING  
"FOR THE  
CLAN" IS  
A LIE!







...IT'S  
SOMETHING  
SO  
PATHETIC  
I COULDN'T  
EVEN LOOK  
MY LITTLE  
BROTHER  
IN THE EYE  
AGAIN!!

IF  
THERE'S  
ONE  
THING...

...I  
DON'T  
WANT  
TO DO...



I KNEW  
MY OWN  
FLESH-  
AND-  
BLOOD  
SONS  
WERE  
FAIL-  
URES!

YOU  
WORTH-  
LESS  
TRASH!

IS  
THAT  
SO?

TCHI!!

HA  
HA  
HA!!



YOU'RE  
BOTH  
TRAI-  
TORS!





**IT  
DOESN'T  
MATTER  
WHAT YOU  
LITTLE  
BRATS  
WANT TO  
DO...**

**KEEP  
HOWLING,  
IF YOU  
WANT TO  
STICK  
TO YOUR  
PLATI-  
TUDES!**



**...THIS  
IS WAY  
BEYOND  
YOUR  
CON-  
TROL!!**



**LIBRARY**

ONCE  
I'VE GOT  
OUR LAND  
BACK...

WE'LL  
HAVE THE  
MONEY  
TOMOR-  
ROW.

...I'LL  
LEVEL IT  
OUT...

...HIRE  
CLAN  
MEMBERS...

...AND  
PROVE  
THAT I CAN  
INDEED GET  
THE FAMILY  
BACK  
ON ITS  
FEET...

I THINK  
OUR  
FORMER  
UNDERLINGS  
MIGHT FIND  
THEIR WAY  
BACK TO  
US TOO...!





AAAA,  
I CAN'T  
WAIT!

TOMORROW  
CAN'T  
COME SOON  
ENOUGH!

# KIMIE'S ROOM

I'LL ANSWER  
ANY QUESTION!





...IT REALLY  
MAKES THE  
SQUABBLING  
AND COMPETITION  
OF THE  
TWELVE CLANS  
SEEM SO  
FOOLISH.

WHEN YOU  
SEE THESE  
KIDS FROM  
THE MARTIAL  
ARTS FAMILIES  
PLAYING  
TOGETHER  
AND GETTING  
ALONG...

CHOKON  
(PLOS)



CHOKON  
PLOS

IF ONLY WE  
ADULTS COULD  
LEARN FROM  
SANAB AND  
SHINTAROU'S  
EXAMPLE...



KIMIE.

KI  
MI

KIMIE.

GET  
ALONG,  
AND...

AND  
GET  
ALONG!

...WE MIGHT  
BE ABLE TO  
CAST  
ASIDE OUR  
INTERCLAN  
RIVALRIES...



**GO READ  
THE STORY!**

NI  
VA-  
VA.

CHECK  
IT OUT!

SO IF YOU TURN  
TO THE NEXT PAGE,  
YOU'LL FIND A  
SPECIAL SIDE STORY  
DEPICTING THE  
PEACEFUL EVERY-  
DAY LIFE OF SANAB  
AND SHINTAROU!





AND COFFEE BEANS  
BLACK UNDELETED





## SPECIAL CHAPTER. BLACK COFFEE AND SHINTAROU





















**I STAYED  
IN SO LONG  
THAT I GOT  
LIGHT-  
HEADED!**

**OH  
NOOO!  
WHAT  
HAVE I  
DONE?**

**OH,  
LOOK  
AT THE  
TIME!**



**WAKE UP  
EARLY AND  
DO YOUR  
BEST IN THE  
MORNING!**

**GOTTA  
GIVE UP  
ON TO-  
NIGHT!**

**はっ!!**





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I MEAN...  
I KNOW  
YOU ARE  
A GIRL,  
BUT...

OH, STOP  
ACTING LIKE  
A WHINY  
GIRL!!

WHAT'S MORE  
IMPORTANT  
TO YOU??  
STUDYING  
OR ME??

YOU  
SUCK!!



SPK: BATTEN (THUMP)

I DON'T  
THINK SO,  
SANA!

!!  
WANTI  
TOI  
SLEEPE

DON'T!  
GOI  
TOI  
SLEEP  
!!

!!  
WANTI  
TOI  
SLEEP  
!!

GYAAAAA!  
MAHH!! GYAAA  
GYAAAA!!

BEST  
FRIENDS

NEW  
WEL

SPK: BOMB (BOMB) BOMB BOMB BOMB

SPK: BATTEN BATTEN (THUMP) (SLAP)



GET  
READY...

I'VE  
MADE  
UP MY  
MIND...

HEA  
HEA





I SAID I WAS  
SORRY FOR  
ACTING LIKE  
SUCH A JERK  
LAST NIGHT!



WAIT UP,  
SANAE...

NEXT  
DAY



YOU DIDN'T  
LET ME GET  
A SINGLE  
SECOND OF  
SLEEP LAST  
NIGHT!!!

I HATE  
YOU,  
SHIN-  
TAROU-  
SAN!  
YOU  
BOORI  
YOU  
BRUTE!  
YOU  
MON-  
STER  
!!



NO!  
NOOOOO!  
ANYTHING  
BUT  
THAT!!

...I'M NOT  
LETTING  
YOU INTO  
MY BED OR  
MY BATH  
AGAIN!!!

AFTER  
THIS  
MIS-  
ADVEN-  
TURE  
...



...I WON'T  
TRY TO  
FORCE  
YOU TO  
DO STUFF  
YOU DON'T  
WANT TO  
DO ANY-  
MORE!!

I...I  
JUST...

I...I  
PROMISE  
...



**I JUST  
WANTED  
TO BE A  
MAN!!**



AND THUS,  
SHINTAROU'S  
FRIENDS SAW  
HIM AS MORE  
OF A MAN  
THAN EVER.

THAT  
GUY'S AN  
ANIMAL!

THE END

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